during the year 2000-01, was 320.75 MMSCM against the target of 296.4 MMSCM.

Supply of dean fuel to Hyderabad

1742. SHRI SOLIPETA RAMACHANDRA REDDY: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Hyderabad has been declared a "Clean-City";

(b) if so, whether the State Government of Andhra Pradesh has approached Government to include Hyderabad as one of the Metro cities where only clean fuels are supplied;

(c) if so, the decision taken by Government in this regard; and

(d) if not, by when a decision is expected to be taken?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH GANGWAR) (a) to (d) Presently petrol & diesel of 0.05% max. sulphur content is being supplied in the four metropolitan cities. Based on the recommendations of the Expert Committee constituted by the Government on Auto Fuel Policy and the request of Government of Andhra Pradesh, it has been decided to supply petrol and diesel of 0.05% max sulphur content to Hyderabad from 1.4.2003.

Shares acquired by IOC

1743. SHRIMATI CHANDRA KALA PANDEY: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of acquisition of shares made by IOC since 1998; and

(b) the total amount depleted from the reserves of IOC?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH